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## Springfield IDHS-DRS office to host Job Fair/Health & Disabilities Fair

Hundreds expected to attend the Department's 9th annual fair

**Springfield, IL** – The Illinois Department of Human Services Division of Rehabilitation Services (IDHS-DRS) in Springfield will host their 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Job Fair and Health & Disabilities Fair at the Illinois State Fairgrounds on Wednesday, October 28<sup>th</sup> from 12pm-4pm. These events are open to the public.

What: IDHS-DRS 9th Annual Job Fair/Health & Disabilities Fair

When: Wednesday, October 28th, 12 noon – 4pm

**Where:** Richard Orr building, Illinois State Fairgrounds; parking is free – enter through Gate 9 off of 5<sup>th</sup> Street.

**Contact:** Persons with disabilities who are in need of reasonable accommodations should contact the office in advance at **217-782-4830.** Additional questions regarding the event can be directed to **Herb Earl** by phone at **217-782-1157** or by email <a href="mailto:Herbert.Earl@Illinois.gov">Herbert.Earl@Illinois.gov</a>.

An accessible shuttle bus will transport bus riders and other individuals from the 8<sup>th</sup> & Sangamon Ave bus stop to the Orr building and back beginning at 11:45am. Riders should catch the North 5<sup>th</sup> Street bus at the downtown transfer center.

The Job Fair will feature more than 80 employers, educational institutions and service providers from the local area and several large national companies. State and federal employers will be recruiting for open positions, and home-based business and volunteer opportunities will also be offered.

The Health & Disabilities Fair will include over 60 vendors and health institutions showcasing products, accessible equipment and services which are available to senior citizens, persons with disabilities and others in need of health services. Health screenings will also be offered.

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